

Issue 134

Spring 2025

Wood Street Village Newsletter.



Save the date: 2025

Wood Street Village Festival Weekend:

Saturday 19th July - Daytime: Wood Street Village Show.
Horticultural Show / Music & Dancing / Stalls / Events / Fun & Games.

Saturday 19th July - Evening: Band in the Marquee.

Sunday 20th July: Jazz on the Green.
On the Green - 11th Annual Wood Street Village Charity Jazz Festival.

Other Events:

Sunday 27th April: WSV Cricket Club First Match.
Matches at home every Saturday & Sunday from 1pm.
All welcome

Saturday 3rd May: May Day Celebrations on the Green:
Maypole Dancing at Noon.
HortSoc. Plant Sale from 11am.
Come & buy or donate your excess plants.

Thursday 8th May: VE Day Celebrations on the Green:
Join us to celebrate Victory In Europe 80 years ago.
On the Village Green from 6:15pm
Fish & Chip Van / Music / Beacon

Friday 30th May - Saturday 31st May: Shynefest.
Music Festival weekend at Merrist Wood Show Field.

Wednesday 14th May: HortSoc. Coach Trip
Visit the Sir Harold Hillier Gardens near Romsey in Hampshire.

Regular Events:

Tuesday 8th April: Wood Street Village Association AGM.
Everyone is welcome to the village meetings at St. Alban's Church Hall
Regular meetings are every second Monday at 8pm.

Regular Sunday Services: Worplesdon Parish Churches:
St. Alban's Wood Street and St. Mary's Worplesdon.
A warm welcome to you all at 10:30am every Sunday.

Fridays from 6pm: Colts cricket coaching & parents' social.
Join us at Wood Street Village Cricket Club pavilion.

Friday 2nd May: Wood Street Youth Club.
1st Friday of every month at Wood Street Church Hall 6:30 to 8:30pm.
For ages 10 to 16, fun activities.

Thursdays: Maypole Dancing Practice.
3:30pm at the Maypole on the Village Green.
Contact Janet Sutton on 01483 825709 for further information.

Saturday 31st May: Village Litter Pick.
All welcome. Meet outside St. Alban's Church at 2:45pm.
Contact: alijohnson345@gmail.com for further information.

Tuesday 8th April: Next Parish Lunch.
Home cooked two course lunch for Senior Citizens. £5.
Every third Tuesday of the month: St. Alban's Church Hall at 12:30pm.
All welcome. Call 01483 233091 to book.

See inside for further planned events & information.

Wood Street Village Celebrations

On Thursday 8th May 2025, we mark the historic 80th anniversary of VE day with communities across the nation coming together to unite and celebrate 80 years of peace since the end of World War 2 in Europe. So many millions of people paid the ultimate sacrifice to achieve peace.

The Village Association invites you all to celebrate on the village green to eat, sing & pay our respects for the sacrifices made by all to achieve peace, especially the service men & women of our nation.

- Fish & Chip Van at 6:15pm (Bring a chair & drinks)
- Music & sing along sheets.
- Beacon lighting at dusk

for further information email: alijohnson345@gmail.com

Wood Street Village Festival Weekend:

After another successful festival weekend in 2024, it is planned to hold the same format this year. Full details will be published in the next newsletter.



The Horticultural Show Schedule is available now. Plan your exhibits early & see the full list of classes on the website: wsvhortsoc.co.uk

Wood Street Village Association (WSVA) welcomes newcomers to the village.

WSVA has compiled a document detailing all the great local community activities and classes in the village.

If you are yourself new, or if you are aware of anyone new, in the village please contact us and we will either email or personally deliver the information to introduce and welcome you/them into our village life.

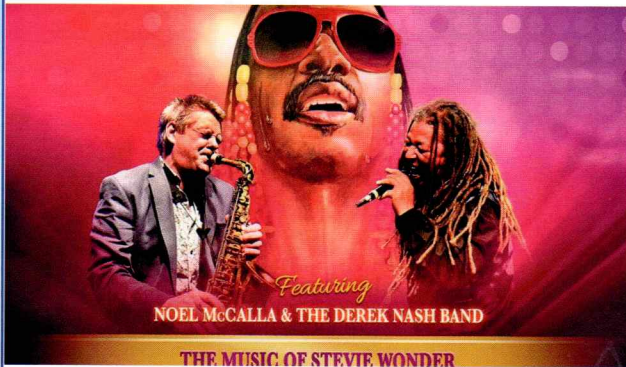
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Upcoming Events



Wood Street Village Annual Jazz (& Soul) Festival 2025. Sunday 20th July on the Village Green.

Partnered with Guildford Jazz, the Wood Street Village Jazz Festival is back for another year with an afternoon of world-class jazz & soul.



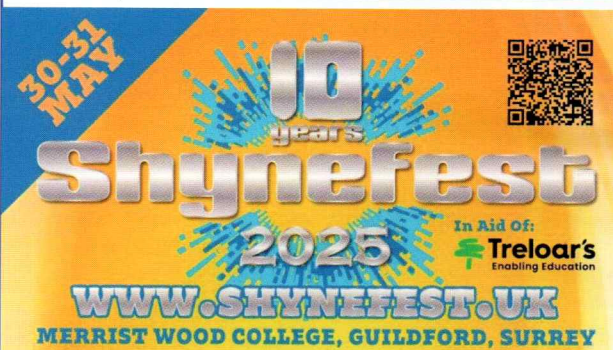
Our headline acts for this year are one of the UK's top soul singers, Noel McCalla, with award winning saxophonist Dereck Nash and their world class band. They will be playing a diverse catalogue of back-to-back **Stevie Wonder** hits.

Joining them is **Jazz Samba**, the 5 piece band fronted by guitarist Nigel Price and ace saxophonist Mark Crook playing a blend of Brazilian rhythms.

For a day out with incredible live music, please come and join us from 1:30 pm - 5pm. (Gates open from 12:30pm)

All of the money raised from the day goes directly to Challengers, helping them continue to break down the barriers to play for local disabled children and their families.

For further details & ticket prices, book your tickets at: <https://disability-challengers.org/events/jazz-festival-2025/>



- Annual Music Festival over the half-term weekend 30-31st May.
- Headline act on Saturday night—**Rock band 'REEF'** with Gary Stringer on vocals.
- A huge line up of exciting live music acts such as **Nirvanher**, an all-female Nirvana tribute band, **Bon Giovo**, the world's premier tribute to Bon Jovi, **The Ibiza Band** playing dance party pulsating rhythms, and many more. See the web site for the full lineup.
- Camping & Glamping on site with facilities in nearby blocks and breakfast catering.
- Lots of fun student led activities for all the family.
- Varied array of food outlets, festival stalls & bars.



The event held in Merrist Wood College's large show field is organised by the college's students together with the family run festival organiser ShyneFest. This family friendly music festival and fun activities are for the whole family to enjoy.

For further information and booking tickets see our website:

<https://shynefest.uk/>

HortSoc. Coach Trips 2025.

Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, near Romsey in Hampshire.



Wednesday 14th May 2025.
Come and enjoy our first coach trip of the year.

£20 per person

With over 1,000 different rhododendrons & azaleas this should be a lovely time of year to visit.

Approximate timings:

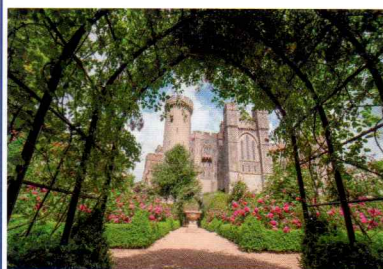
9.15am - coach leaves Village Green; 9am from the school.

10.45am - arrive at the gardens.

3:30pm - leave to arrive back at Wood Street approx. 5 to 5:30pm.

The price includes entrance to the gardens & subsidised return coach travel.

Coach Trip to Arundel Castle & Gardens in West Sussex.



Tuesday 12th August.

Built in the 11th century, the castle has magnificent grounds and beautiful gardens overlooking the river Arun.

Gardens only: £22 pp.

Castle & Gardens: £32 pp

Includes return coach travel

Approximate timings:

9.30am - coach leaves Village Green; 9:15am from the school.

10.45am - arrive at Arundel Castle.

4pm - leave to arrive back at Wood Street approx. 5:15 to 5:30pm.

To book your places, please email janet.rowland@yahoo.co.uk

Next Village Litter Pick.



Meet at St. Alban's church at 2:45pm on **Saturday 31st May.**

Come & join us for one hour's litter pick. All are welcome & equipment is provided. We had 17 intrepid adults and children at our last litter pick on a very soggy day. For more details:

email: alijohnson345@gmail.com

Upcoming Events / Local News



Worplesdon Parish
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We warmly welcome you to our
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St Mary's Worplesdon and St Alban's
Wood Street 10.30am every Sunday.

Saturday coffee morning at Worplesdon
Place 10.30am on

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See our website for all information:

www.worplesdonparish.com

Instagram/FaceBook/Twitter email:

churchoffice@worplesdonparish.com

Telephone: 01483 233091

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

ST MARY'S, WORPLESDON
ST ALBAN'S, WOOD STREET VILLAGE
13TH TO 20TH APRIL 2025



PALM SUNDAY

13TH APRIL 2025

10.30AM
UNITED WORSHIP
ST ALBAN'S CHURCH

MAUNDY THURSDAY

17TH APRIL 2025
7.00PM HOLY COMMUNION
ST MARY'S CHURCH

GOOD FRIDAY

18TH APRIL 2025

10.30AM ST ALBAN'S
AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS
2.00PM ST MARY'S
THE FINAL HOUR



EASTER SUNDAY

20TH APRIL 2025

COMMUNION SERVICE
ST MARY'S CHURCH
10.30AM

FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE
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10.30AM

FOLLOWED BY AN EASTER EGG HUNT

1st Friday of the month

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tel: 01483 237619 or mobile 0777 5331543

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Worplesdon Young Musician Competition Final 2025

On Saturday 15th March, an appreciative audience was treated to some fabulous performances at St Alban's Church. The 10 finalists, whose ages ranged from 8-14, entertained on a variety of instruments including viola, violin, piano, and voice.

Congratulations to the overall winner Leah

Yan aged 8 (piano) and age group winners Molly Ward aged 12 (singing) and Connie Frith aged 14 (piano).

If you are interested in the March 2026 competition, please email the church office or phone John McLean on: 07768 031454.



The White Hart Wood Street Village.



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For information telephone:

Lorna on 07359 585891



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pool table.

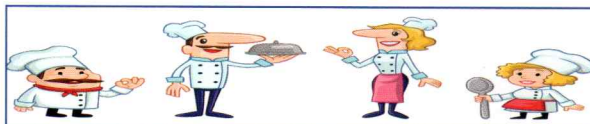
The Royal Oak Wood Street Village - Sold.



On behalf of the residents of Wood Street Village, the Village Association wishes to thank Dave and Natalie Chandler and their family for over 12 years service at the Royal Oak.

The pub has been sold and is now closed for refurbishment.

Parish Lunches at St Alban's Church Hall.



Home cooked two course lunches for £5 for senior citizens are
held at 12:30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Next lunches, Tuesday 8th April, 13th May & 10th June.

All senior citizens are welcome to attend.

To book just phone Michaela in the church office on 01483 233091
by the Friday before the lunch date or email:

churchoffice@worplesdonparish.com

Wood Street Village Cricket Club:

WSVCC Juniors:

With 70 boys and girls aged from seven to seventeen, the juniors are thriving with four teams in the West Surrey League. Coaching sessions, with ECB qualified coaches, are held every Friday evening from 6pm to 8pm until the end of July.

Parents & friends are welcome to join us for a social evening.

I'Anson League - 1pm every Saturday:

Two Saturday teams play in the I'Anson League. This is the oldest village cricket league in the country in continuous existence, played in scenic village grounds in Surrey & Hampshire.

Sunday Friendlies - 1pm every Sunday.

In addition to Sunday social cricket, we play in the Surrey Villages mid-week league in addition to the I'Anson knockout cup competition.

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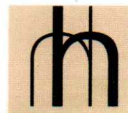
www.the-mole-man.co.uk

'Notice is hereby given that: Challengers Charity has applied to Guildford Borough Council for the grant of a Premises Licence for Wood Street Jazz Festival taking place on Sunday 20th July 2025 between 12:30pm - 6:00pm at Wood Street Village Green, GU3 3EU. There will be live music and a bar. A register of licensing applications can be inspected at the Licensing Unit, the Council Offices, Millmead House, Millmead, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 4BB between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm Monday to Friday or on their website at:

www.guildford.gov.uk/la03applications.

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